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JOINT PHOTOGRAPHIC INTELLIGENCE BRIEF

ARMY-NAVY-CIA

INSTALLATION: Alleged Guided Missile Rail Spurs

Near Braunsberg

BRIEF NO.: JB-2-59 DATE: 2 February 1959

LAT.: 54° 17'N LONG.: 190 49 E

LOCATION Poland WAC NUMBER: 169

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ENCLOSURE: Map showing rail spurs near Braunsberg, Poland

REQUIREMENT: Prepared as a part of a comprehensive analysis of Soviet guided

missile sites and activities under Joint Project 5-58.

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REMARKS:

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This brief discusses four rail spurs which appear on photography along the rail line connecting Elbing and Braunsberg, Poland. All four spurs leave the main line in a five-mile section extending from 8 to 13 nautical miles south-southwest of the USSR border (see attached map).

An examination of these spurs has been made in order to determine if any guided missile activity is present as stated in a collateral report. From photography and other supporting collateral it has been concluded that these four spurs lead to transloading sites, probably for military use. The reported presence of both Russian and European standard-gauge tracks on the main rail line is confirmed by photography, which shows two tracks leading into each site. Moreover, side-loading platforms are apparent on photography at Sites 1, 2, and 4.

At Site 3, loading platforms are not present. However, underground tanks, probably for POL storage, are being installed in an open double-fenced area outside the woods where the site is located. A pipeline leads from this tank area to the railroad site. Photography and

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collateral indicate that this site is a fuel transloading facility with provision for fuel storage in the tank storage area.

A short distance west-northwest of the tanks a small unfenced area with buildings is located next to an unsurfaced road connecting the villages of Kurau and Rautenberg. It may possibly provide support for the tank area and fuel transloading facility.

In addition to the spurs, three and possibly four rail yards are located along the main tracks at positions indicated on the attached map.

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